

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 1-13, without prejudice or disclaimer of subject matter, and add new Claims 14-20 as follows (a complete listing of all the claims appears below):

Claims 1-13 (canceled)

Claim 14 (new): A data processing apparatus, which serves as a central server for performing processing based on a print order received via INTERNET, said apparatus comprising:

image saving means for saving image data to be printed;

reception means for receiving a print order from a client terminal via the INTERNET;

resizing means for resizing the image data saved by said image saving means so as to match a size of the image data with a size determined based on a printing condition included in the print order received by said reception means; and

transfer means for transferring the resized image data to a print server of a print shop via the INTERNET.

Claim 15 (new): An apparatus according to claim 14, wherein the print condition included in the print order includes at least print-size information and characteristic information of a printer.

Claim 16 (new): An apparatus according to claim 14, wherein the print order includes a plurality of sub orders, each being an instruction for printing an image.

Claim 17 (new): An apparatus according to claim 16, wherein, when the print order received by said reception means includes a plurality of sub orders for instructing printing of a same image of different sizes, said apparatus prepares image data of a maximum size among a plurality of image sizes.

Claim 18 (new): An apparatus according to claim 14,
wherein said apparatus communicates with an image server that includes image saving means for saving a plurality of images each with a different numbers of pixels, and

wherein said apparatus, when generating image data to be printed in accordance with the print order, acquires from the image server image data with a smallest number of pixels, which is larger than a number of pixels of an image size of the print order, and generates image data to be printed.

Claim 19 (new): A method of controlling a data processing apparatus, which serves as a central server for performing processing based on a print order received via INTERNET, said method comprising:

an image saving step of saving image data to be printed;

a reception step of receiving a print order from a client terminal via the

INTERNET;

a resizing step of resizing the image data saved in said image saving step so as to match a size of the image data with a size determined based on a printing condition included in the print order received in said reception step; and

a transfer step of transferring the resized image data to a print server of a print shop via the INTERNET.

Claim 20 (new): A storage medium storing a program that causes a computer, which loads and executes the program, to serve as a central server for performing processing based on a print order received via INTERNET, wherein the program comprises:

program code of an image saving step of saving image data to be printed;

program code of a reception step of receiving a print order from a client terminal via the INTERNET;

program code of a resizing step of resizing the image data saved in the image saving step so as to match a size of the image data with a size determined based on a printing condition included in the print order received in the reception step; and

program code of a transfer step of transferring the resized image data to a print server of a print shop via the INTERNET.